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**AMENDMENT PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. § 1.111**

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Sir :

In response to the Official Action dated August 24, 2007, setting a shortened three-month statutory period for response to expire on November 26, 2007, Applicant respectfully requests a one extension of time until December 26, 2007 (December 24 and 25, 2007 being federal holidays), and further requests reconsideration and withdrawal of the outstanding rejections in view of the herein-contained amendments and remarks.

**Amendments to the Specification** begin on page 2 of this document.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begin on page 3 of this document.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 9 of this document.